
THE SEVEN CITIES OF CIBOLA.
 More Information Concerning the Ancient
 Ruins of Arizona

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29.—Enough has already been discovered by the expedition which is at work among the ruined cities of Arizona to prove that they are the seven cities of Cibola of which the Spaniards heard when they conquered Mexico, and of which Colorado, the Spanish general, went in search. The discoveries prove also that the Zuni Indians are the direct descendants of the ancient inhabitants of these cities, and the civilization of which they formed a part extended through Central and into South America.

the Salt River, with the western base of the mountains on the south. The Salt River flows into a plain watered by the Gila and the tributaries. On this plain is situated the city of Phoenix. The seven cities are grouped on the banks of the Salt River, four on one side and three on the other. In the river were built a series of dams two or three miles apart, which raised the water right angles to the river ran for a canal some ten miles long. The canals ran one to the right twenty feet wide. These canals, while between the canals ran each two feet wide, parallel to the river ran smaller canals for irrigating the fields. Still other ditches ran from the main canals into the cities, where the water was stored in reservoirs for domestic use. The cities are all built on exactly the same plan, and consist of groups of pueblos around a temple building, with its open ceremonial plaza.


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stones" along the canal. These "water tamers" are used to divert the water to the canals with which the canals were dug, and they are left along the edge of the canals to make the water flow steady. The bell-shaped stones in running water which make a noise like the sound of a bell are called "bell stones." The canals of Los Muertos are lined with these curious stones, and their jewelry is made mostly of shells, among them being the *chamizales*. This has a meaning, too, for shells typified water, the source of the land's fertility, and therefore the shells were used to make jewelry. The jewelry fashioned by means of enamel and precious stones, are quite common. The frog, as the water frog symbolizes the fertility of the water, is the day the plains of the country, after a rain, are seen dry, white from the froth they are seen there any other time.

As to the number of these people, the inhabitants of the San Juan group are estimated to have contained at least 200,000 inhabitants, and probably sometimes much more. The people of the San Juan group are usually, or it each separate group represented a migration, cannot yet be known.

In the Swim.
From the Apoch.
"Where have you been, Jack?
I was out from the Apoch, and the Mrs. M...
... and where are you going now?
... to a wedding breakfast on Thirty-fourth street."

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